

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT**

**TECHNICAL EDUCATION** – Appointment of Vice Chancellor for the Jawaharlal Nehru Architecture and Fine Arts University – Representation of Mr. D.T.Vinod Kumar, Chairman, Indian Institute of Architects, A.P. Chapter, dt: 16.08.2011 – Rejected – Regarding.

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**HIGHER EDUCATION (EC.1) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Rt.No. 954**

Dated: 11.12.2012

Read the following:-

1. Order of the Hon'ble A.P. High Court in W.P.M.P.No.14102 of 2012 in W.P.No.11176 of 2012, dt: 18.04.2012.
2. Representation of Mr. D.T.Vinod Kumar, Chairman, Indian Institute of Architects, A.P. Chapter, dt: 16.08.2011.

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**ORDER :**

In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, Sri D.T. Vinod Kumar, Chairman, Indian Institute of Architects, A.P. Chapter while introducing the Indian Institute of Architects to the Government has stated that the Indian Institute of Architects, Andhra Pradesh Chapter, would like to congratulate the Government of Andhra Pradesh for being a Pioneer state in various fields, including higher education and particularly for establishing a one of its kind University namely Jawaharlal Nehru Architecture and Fine Arts University, which is one of the quadruplicated erstwhile Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University.

2. The University has taken giant strides in the past three years by the way of commencement of new courses in emerging areas in the field of Architecture and Fine Arts, introduction of provision of admission to Foreign National, development of pertinent infrastructure, securing financial grants, maintaining academic schedules, establishment of a new constituent college, increase in affiliated colleges and preparation of Vision Document 2020, which is road map for the growth of the University.

3. He has further stated that this is a highly specialized University which requires comprehensive and thorough understanding of the subject to steer its growth in the right direction. As the term of the first Vice-Chancellor is coming to an end, it is of immense concern of professional bodies like theirs regarding the leadership of the University. Moreover, Council of Architecture (COA), New Delhi which is established under the parliament Act 1972, stipulates that the heads of the Institutions of Architecture shall be from Architecture fraternity. He has further stated that, it has come to their attention that several persons not concerned with the said professions, have made applications for the all India notification made by the Department of Higher Education, Andhra Pradesh for the post of the Vice-Chancellor of Jawaharlal Nehru Architecture and Fine Arts University.

4. He has further stated that it is their earnest request that the Vice-Chancellor who is to be posted for the University has relevant qualifications in the field related to Architecture and Fine Arts and has adequate knowledge, interest in the area to lead the University in the direction, as conceived by the Government of Andhra Pradesh. This is possible only if the said candidate has expertise in fields of Architecture of Fine Arts. He has requested that the same is taken into cognizance by the Government of Andhra Pradesh while appointing the Vice-Chancellor of the University.

5. Government after careful examination of the entire matter has noticed that the notification for filling up the post of the Vice-Chancellor, JNA & FAU along with other Universities was issued on 21.07.2011, calling for applications from the eligible persons with the following eligibility criteria:-

***“Persons of the highest level of competence, integrity, morals and institutional commitment are to be appointed as Vice – Chancellors. Persons with distinguished academic background, with a minimum of ten years of experience as Professor in a University system or ten years***

***experience in an equivalent position in a reputed research and / or academic administrative organization.”***

6. Government have also observed that the JNA & FAU, Hyderabad has been established as per Jawaharlal Nehru Architecture and Fine Arts University Act, 2008 (Act. No.31 of 2008) of the Government of Andhra Pradesh, under the category of State University and is governed by the said Act. As per Section 7(1) of the said Act the Vice-Chancellor shall be the whole time officer of the University and shall be appointed by Chancellor in the manner specified in the Schedule. The Schedule 1 (1) of the said Act as amended subsequently, reads as follows:-

***“(1) The Government shall constitute a search committee consisting of :***

- (i) A nominee of Executive Council;***
- (ii) A nominee of the University Grants Commission; and***
- (iii) A nominee of the State Government.***

***The Search Committee shall submit a panel of three persons to the Government in alphabetical order and the Government shall forward the said panel to the Chancellor, who shall appoint the Vice-Chancellor, from out of the said panel.***

***Provided that it shall be competent for the Government to call for fresh panel if they consider necessary and the search committee shall submit a fresh panel to the Government.”***

7. Government have issued detailed guidelines for implementation of UGC Revised Pay Scales, 2006 and other related issues vide G.O.Ms.No.14, Higher Education (UE.II) Department, dt: 20.02.2010. In Appendix-II of the said Government order the qualifications for the post of Vice-Chancellor have been narrated as follows:-

***“Persons of the highest level of competence, integrity, morals and institutional commitment are to be appointed as Vice-Chancellors. The Vice\_Chancellor to be appointed should be a distinguished academic, with a minimum of 10 years experience as Professor in a University system or 10 years experience in an equivalent position in a reputed research and / or academic administrative organization.”***

8. Accordingly Government have constituted a search committee vide G.O.Rt.No.575, Higher Education (EC.1) Department, dt: 10.08.2011 for submitting panel of three names for appointment to the post of Vice-Chancellor, JNA & FAU, Hyderabad. The said Search Committee met on 22.12.2011 in the Chambers of Vice-Chancellor, Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi and submitted a panel of three names to the Government.

9. Government have also observed that the Vice-Chancellor of the University is assisted by several Committees and Boards as evident from the Act and the Supreme Body to take decisions in the matters of the University is the Executive Council. It is also observed that the JNA & FAU is one of the Technological University in the State and not a specialized University. The role of the Vice-Chancellor is mainly to take care of the day-to-day administration. The academic qualification of the person is not only the criteria, as a good administrator with academic background is required to run the University on day-to-day basis.

10. Government have also observed that the said notification calling for the application for the post of Vice-Chancellor, JNA & FAU, dt: 21.07.2011 was in accordance with the provisions of the JNA & FA, University Act, 2008 (Act No.31 of 2008) and as per the UGC Regulations as stipulated in G.O.Ms.No.14, Higher Education (UE.II) Dept. dt:20.02.2010. The Regulations issued by Council of Architecture if any, cannot be applied directly to the University as it is governed by State Legislation.

11. Government is of the opinion that the post of Vice-Chancellor, JNA & FAU will be filled in accordance with the procedure laid down and it is left to the Search Committee to submit a panel of three persons to the Government and from out of the said panel the Chancellor will appoint one of them as Vice-Chancellor of the said University. The Vice-Chancellor so appointed may or may not have the qualification in the field related to Architecture and Fine Arts as desired by the petitioner.

12. In view of the facts mentioned above, the representation of Mr. D.T.Vinod Kumar, dt: 16.08.2011 is disposed off at Government level.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**M.G.GOPAL**  
**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To:

The Commissioner, Printing Stationary and Stores Purchase, Chancalguda, Hyderabad for publication in the AP Gazette.

The Vice-Chancellor, Jawaharlal Nehru Architecture & Fine Arts University, Hyderabad.

Sri D.T.Vinod Kumar, Chairman, Indian Institute of Architects, A.P. Chapter.

The Registrar, Jawaharlal Nehru Architecture & Fine Arts University, Hyderabad.

**Copy to**

The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education, Hyderabad.

The PS to Spl. Secretary to C.M.

The PS to Dy. Chief Minister.

The PS to Prl. Secretary to Governor, Raj Bhavan, Hyderabad.

The PS to Prl. Secretary to Govt., Higher Education.

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**SECTION OFFICER**